



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
*"Parks Make Life Better!"*

John Wicker, Director

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

August 02, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

21 August 2, 2016

LORI GLASGOW  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**EUGENE A. OBREGON PARK STORMWATER RETENTION UPGRADES  
ESTABLISH AND APPROVE CAPITAL PROJECT,  
APPROVE PROJECT SCOPE, BUDGET,  
AND APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT  
ADOPT YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PLAN  
CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 87318  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1) (4 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Approval of the recommended actions will establish and approve the proposed Eugene A. Obregon Park Stormwater Retention Upgrades Project, approve the scope, budget, appropriation adjustment, adopt Youth Employment Plan, and allow the Department of Parks and Recreation to proceed with the construction using a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find the recommended actions regarding the Eugene A. Obregon Park Stormwater Retention Upgrades Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein and the reasons reflected in the record of the project.
2. Establish and approve the Eugene A. Obregon Park Stormwater Retention Upgrades Project, Capital Project No. 87318, with a total estimated Project budget of \$1,426,000.
3. Approve an appropriation adjustment to appropriate \$1,276,000 to the Eugene A. Obregon Park Stormwater Retention Upgrades Project, Capital Project No. 87318.
4. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, to carry out the

construction of the Eugene A. Obregon Park Stormwater Retention Upgrades Project through a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

5. Adopt the Youth Employment Plan for the Eugene A. Obregon Park Stormwater Retention Upgrades Project as required by the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District Procedural Guide.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Approval of the recommended actions will find the proposed Eugene A. Obregon Park Stormwater Upgrades Project (Project) is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); establish and approve the proposed Project, and approve the scope and budget; approve an appropriation adjustment; allow the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) to deliver the proposed Project through a Board-approved Job Order Contract (JOC); and adopt a Youth Employment Plan (YEP) for the proposed Project.

The proposed Project is located at Eugene A. Obregon Park (Park), 4021 East First Street in the unincorporated area of East Los Angeles. The Park is approximately 10-acres in size and has the following amenities: pool house, pool, gymnasium, community building, baseball field, playground, and exercise area. The Project will include installation of stormwater management features on the existing park site, including retention basins, native plant vegetated swales, and rain barrels; replacement of existing traditional turf with a deep-rooted grass species and native plants; planting of additional low water-use shade trees where there are existing gaps in the canopy; removal and replacement of impermeable paving with permeable material; and installation of a native plant demonstration garden adjacent to the community building entrance. Upon the Project's completion the California State Coastal Conservancy Climate Ready Grant will require water quality monitoring for a period of four years

All work to be performed will be done in compliance with current Americans with Disabilities Act standards. In-house Department staff has developed a preliminary site plan of the entire park including the landscape enhancements. In addition, plans and specifications will be developed by in-house Department design staff. Department staff will utilize the services of previously Board-approved as-needed Landscape Architecture consultant Withers and Sandgren, Ltd for a grading plan and a geotechnical report. The JOC contractor will be responsible for obtaining all the required permits based on the plans and specifications provided by the Department, and installation of items acquired.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended actions further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goals of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1), by completing the work in the most efficient and cost-effective manner via the use of a Board-approved Job Order Contract; Community Support and Responsiveness (Goal 2), by publicizing affordable, accessible, educational, and cultural opportunities at the newly installed garden; and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3), by enhancing health and recreational opportunities to benefit County residents in the First Supervisorial District by capturing and filtering stormwater and enhancing existing turf.

### **Green Building/Sustainable Design**

The proposed Project will support the intent of the Board's Sustainable Design Program by incorporating low water use and efficient electrical energy saving fixtures.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The total project cost estimate of \$1,426,000, includes consultant services, jurisdictional review, construction, and County services.. The Department will provide in-kind Project Management/Support Services valued at \$150,000 towards the Project. The proposed Project Schedule and Budget Summary are included in Attachment I.

The proposed Project will be fully funded by \$837,000 of California State Urban Greening Project Grant Program; \$100,000 of California State Coastal Conservancy Climate Ready Grant Program; \$289,000 of County Excess Funds, available to the First Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996; \$150,000 of in-kind County services; and \$50,000 of First Supervisorial District net County cost.

Approval of the attached appropriation adjustment (Attachment III) in the total amount of \$1,276,000 will provide sufficient appropriation to proceed with the proposed Project under Capital Project No. 87318.

### **Operating Budget Impact**

The \$150,000 of in-kind Project Management/Support Services will be provided by existing Department staff and will not result in additional cost to the Department's Fiscal Year 2016-17 Operating Budget. After project completion the California State Coastal Conservancy Climate Ready Grant requires water quality monitoring for a period of four years at a total cost of \$76,000. Sufficient funds will be made available in the Department's Operating Budget beginning in FY 2017-18 to fund the \$19,000 annual monitoring cost for four years.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

A standard JOC, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, will be used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included.

The JOC contractor who is awarded this contract will be required to fully comply with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program), Chapter 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program), and Chapter 2.201 (Living Wage Program).

In accordance with the Board's Civic Art Policy, adopted on December 7, 2004 and last amended on August 11, 2015, the proposed Project is exempt from Civic Art fees as it is a paving and underground project.

On June 26, 1997, the Board, acting as the governing body of the Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD), adopted a policy for projects funded by Proposition A. RPOSD requires that the governing body of the grantee adopt a YEP for each Proposition A funded project at a duly noticed public meeting. Approval of the enclosed YEP will comply with RPOSD's policy. However, due to the technical level of the improvements and the need for highly skilled labor to perform the work, youth will not be employed for the proposed Project.

This Board letter has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The Project, which consists of installation of stormwater management features in the existing 10-acre park site including retention basins, native plant vegetated swales, and rain barrels; replacement of traditional turf with a deep rooted grass species and native plants; planting of additional shade trees where there are existing gaps in the canopy; removal of impermeable paving; and installation of a native plant demonstration garden, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301 (h), 15303 (e,) and 15304 (a)(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1 (j), 3(a)(b), and 4 (a)(c) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the Project involves maintenance of existing landscaping, installation of accessory structures, minor alterations to land, and new landscaping, including the replacement of existing conventional landscaping with water efficient or fire resistant landscaping.

The proposed Project will not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. Additionally, the proposed Project is not in a sensitive environment, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, or other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposed Project's records.

## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The Project will be delivered utilizing a Board-approved JOC, which are competitively bid and awarded to the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder in accordance with the State Public Contract Code.

The previous Board-approved as-needed Landscape Architecture consultant, Withers and Sandgren, Ltd, will develop a grading plan and geotechnical report.

As provided by the State Labor Code, the Project specifications require that contractors pay prevailing wage rates to all persons providing work on the Project.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The results of the proposed improvement project will support the delivery of recreation services with increased efficiency in the use of water resources and landscape maintenance.

## **CONCLUSION**

It is requested that an adopted copy of this document be retained by the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board; one adopted copy of this letter be sent to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division; one adopted copy to County Counsel and Public Works; and two adopted copies to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

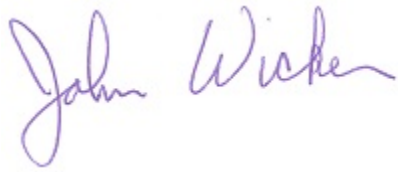
Should you have any questions please contact Catherine Ricci at (213) 738-4937 or [cricci@parks.lacounty.gov](mailto:cricci@parks.lacounty.gov), Bertha Ruiz-Hoffman at (213) 738-4624 or [bruiz@parks.lacounty.gov](mailto:bruiz@parks.lacounty.gov) or Kasey Dizon at (213) 738-2986 or [kdizon@parks.lacounty.gov](mailto:kdizon@parks.lacounty.gov), or Kaye Michelson at (213) 738-2955 or [kmichelson@parks.lacounty.gov](mailto:kmichelson@parks.lacounty.gov).

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

8/2/2016

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "John Wicker". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Wicker" clearly distinguishable.

JOHN WICKER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors  
Public Works

**ATTACHMENT I**

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION:  
EUGENE A. OBREGON STORMWATER RETENTION UPGRADES  
CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 87318**

**I.PROJECT SCHEDULE**

<b>Project Activity</b>	<b>Scheduled Date</b>
Board Approval	August 2, 2016
Construction Documents	November 1, 2016
Job Order Contract	November 1, 2016
Jurisdictional Approval	December 15, 2016
Start Construction	December 15, 2016
Substantial Completion	June, 15, 2017
Project Acceptance	August 15, 2017

## II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Project Activity	Proposed Budget
<b>Land Acquisition (N/A)</b>	\$0
<b>Construction</b>	
Job Order Contract	1,196,000
Departmental Crafts	0
Youth Employment	0
Construction Consultants	0
Telecomm Equip – Affixed to Building	0
Civic Arts	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,196,000</b>
<b>Programming/Development</b>	0
<b>Plans and Specifications</b>	0
<b>Consultant Services</b>	
Site Planning/Civil Engineering/Survey (grading plan)	25,000
Geotech/Soils Report and Soils Testing	5,000
Material Testing	0
Cost Estimating	0
Construction Management	0
Construction Administration	0
Environmental	0
Utilities/Change Order	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Expenditures</b>	0
<b>Jurisdictional Review/Plan Check/Permit</b> (grading permit)	<b>\$10,000</b>
<b>County Services</b>	
Code Compliance Inspection	0
Design Review	0
Contract Administration	0
Gordian Group	22,000
Project Management/Support Services (In-kind)	150,000
DPW Job Order Contract Management	8,000
Project Technical Support	0
ISD-Countywide Contract Compliance	10,000
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$190,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,426,000</b>

## **ATTACHMENT II**

### **DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION EUGENE A. OBREGON PARK STORMWATER RETENTION UPGRADES CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 87318**

#### **YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PLAN**

##### **BACKGROUND (Scope of Work)**

We acknowledge that the Regional Park and Open Space Ordinance requires that a youth employment plan be developed. Grant funds from the Regional Park and Open Space District will fund the permeable paving, the monitoring of water quality and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and related improvements for the proposed Eugene A. Obregon Park Stormwater Retention Upgrades Project (Project).

##### **Tasks that may be performed by At-Risk Youth**

There are no tasks that youth can perform on the Project due to the technical level of the improvements and the need for highly skilled labor to perform the work.

##### **Youth Employment Goal:**

The Youth Employment Goal established for the County of Los Angeles was \$15,739,507.43. The Department has exceeded this goal.

**ATTACHMENT III**

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
EUGENE A. OBREGON PARK STORMWATER RETENTION UPGRADES  
CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 87318**

**APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT**

**(SEE ATTACHED)**

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

**REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT**

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

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NO. 600

August 2, 2016

**AUDITOR-CONTROLLER:**

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM THE ACCOUNTING ENTRIES AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

**ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR**

**FY 2016-17**

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**SOURCES**

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**USES**

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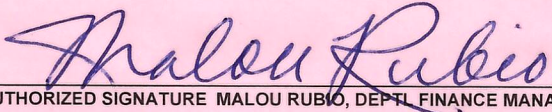
**SOURCES TOTAL: \$ 1,276,000**

**USES TOTAL: \$ 1,276,000**

**JUSTIFICATION**


The appropriation adjustment is necessary to fully fund the Obregon Park Stormwater Retention Upgrades Project, Capital Project No. 87318.

**ADOPTED**  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

  
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE MALOU RUBIO, DEPT. FINANCE MANAGER II

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S APPROVAL (AS REQUESTED/REVISED)

**# 21** **AUG 02 2016**

  
LORI GLASGOW  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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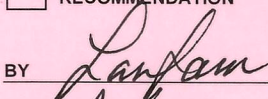
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RECOMMENDATION

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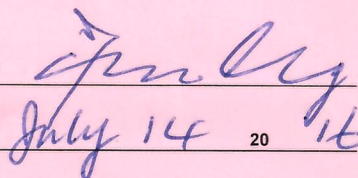
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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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